

7. JAMES LOWRY,

8. PETER SHEAVER,
9. JOHN GALBREATH.

Indian Traders unlycenced from 10th Aug^t 1747 to 10th Aug^t 1748.

JOHN FINLEY,

ROBERT DESAP,

JOHN POTTS, at Harris's, in Pextang ; J. WARDER,

PAUL PEARCE, Pennsboro Manor; J. WARDER, yth.

JOHN OWEN, ROB. DUNNINGS, E. SHIP. & LEVY, 2 yth.

DENNIS SULLIVANT, DONEGALE, E. SHIP.

SAMUEL COZENS, JNO. HARRIS, J. WARDER, 3 yth.

SIMON GIRTEE, CHAMBERS's in Pextang, EDGIL, 3 yth.

ADAM HOOPS, whiskey kegg maker for E. S.

WILLIAM BLYTHE, Shippensburg.

FRANCIS CAMMELL, do.

ED. SHIPPEN,

THOMAS KENTON,

LOGAN EDGIL,

DAVID HENDRICKS, MANOR,

JOHN GALBREATH DONEGALE.

¹¹⁴ Windaughalah, or the Council Door, was a Delaware chief whose name appears in Pennsylvania history from 1748 to 1785. In 1748 he bought trade goods from James Lowry, Michael Teaffe, and John Owens, traders at Lower Shawnee Town (*The Ohio Company*, 1753-1817, *op. cit.*, pp. 110, 132, 146). Windaughalah also attended Indian Conferences at Pittsburgh in 1759 (*Colonial Records of Pennsylvania*, VIII, 383); at Lancaster in 1762 (*Pennsylvania [Colony] Treaties, etc.*, 1762, *Minutes of Conferences, Held at Lancaster, in August, 1762*. Philadelphia. Printed and Sold by B. Franklin and D. Hall, 1763); again at Pittsburgh in 1774 (*Pennsylvania Archives*, IV, 331-33); and at Fort McIntosh in 1785 (*Pennsylvania, General Assembly, Minutes of the First Session of the Ninth General Assembly...*, pp. 322-28). "Wandachales Town" is located on the east bank of the Scioto, not far from its junction with the Ohio (Lewis Evans' *A General Map of the Middle British Colonies, op. cit.*). "Waudnales" is given the same location on Thomas Hutchins' *A New Map (page 497) of the Western Parts of Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland and North Carolina; ...* (London, T. Hutchins, 1778).

Illustration 1: John Owens Trader Lower Shawnee Town 1748



Illustration 2: Portsmouth Ohio is the site of Lower Shawnee Town

A TREATY WITH THE INDIANS OF THE SIX NATIONS, DEL-
AWARES, SHAWONESE, OWENDATTS AND TWIGHTWEES.

IN THE LOG'S TOWN ON OHIO,
Thursday the 28th May, 1751.

PRESENT:

Thomas Kinton,	Joseph Nelson,	} Indian Traders.
Samuel Cuzzens,	James Brown,	
Jacob Pyatt,	Dennis Sullavan,	
John Owens,	Paul Pearce,	
Thomas Ward,	Caleb Lamb,	

The Deputies of the Six Nations, Delawares, Shawo-

²⁵ This Dunkar (or Dunker) was doubtless Samuel Eckerlin one of three brothers who migrated from Ephrata about 1745, and ultimately settled on the Monongahela about ten miles below Morgantown, West Virginia. The Dunkers were a sect of German Baptists that arose in the Palatine about 1708, and migrated to Pennsylvania in 1719. Their formal organization took place at a baptism on the banks of Wissahickon Creek (near Philadelphia) in 1723. There were several divisions of this sect, one of which founded the community

Extract of a Letter from Carlisle, dated July 22, 1756.

"On the 20th Instant two Soldiers, belonging to Capt. Steel's Company, who were guarding some Reapers near M'Dowell's Mill, happening to go a little Distance from them, one of them was killed and scalped, and the other is supposed to be carried off. And another Soldier, going to guard two Girls to a Spring, was taken Prisoner, but the Girls escaped. About the same time a Dutchman and his Wife were scalped near Philip Davie's, on the Maryland Side of the Line.

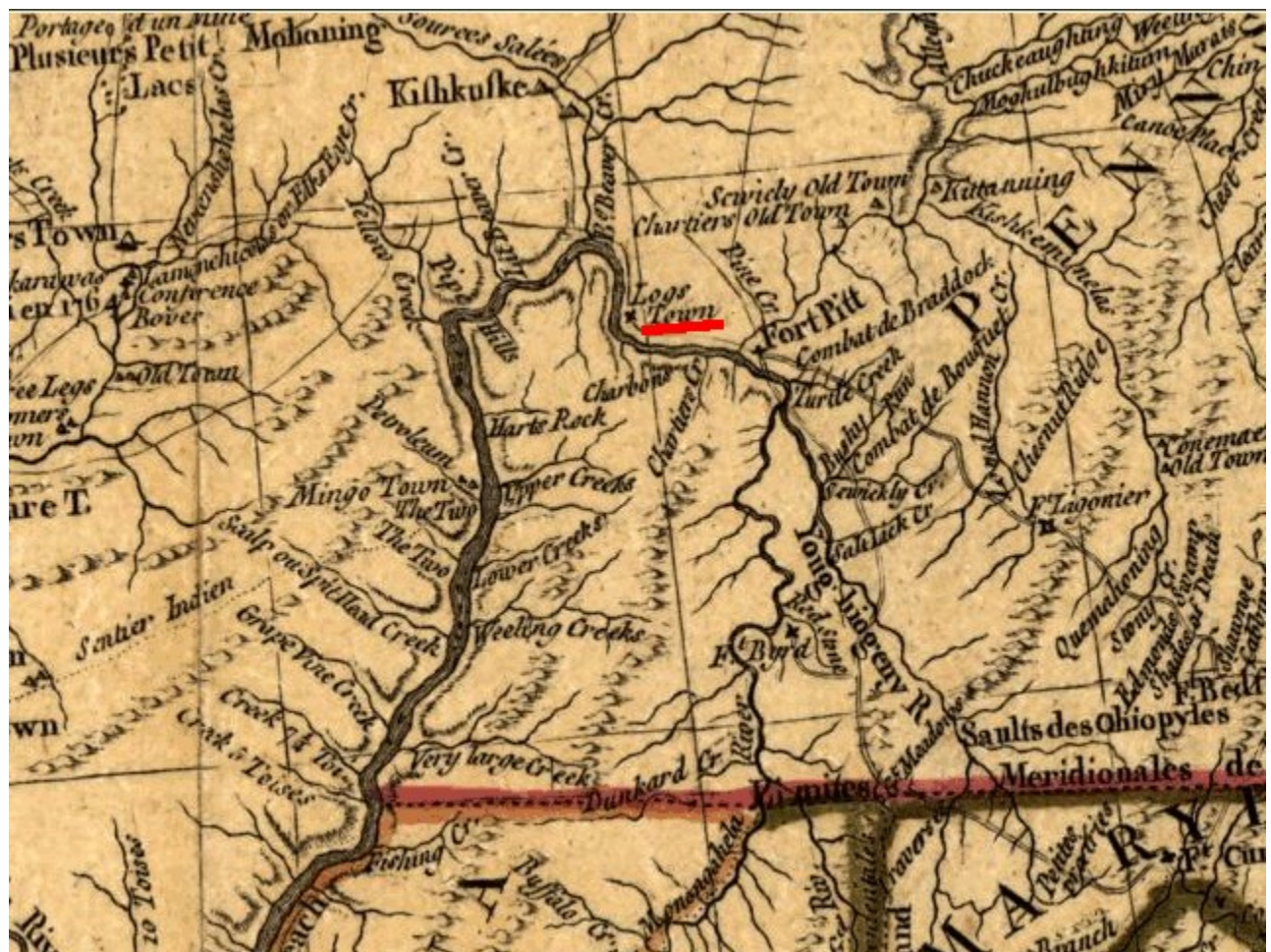
"Yesterday, within ten Miles of this Town, near M'Clure's Gap, some Indians (the Number uncertain) came to the House of Jacob Peeple, about 7 in the Morning, and killed and scalped his Wife, and carried off two of his Children; one a Boy, about 13 Years of Age; the other a Girl, about 2 Years old. One Salmon, a Shoemaker, is missing; but as he was old, I imagine they have only carried him off to get Intelligence, and then will murder him. The Distress and Confusion of the People flying to the Forts, with the most valuable of their Effects, is not to be expressed. I went, with some others, to the Place where the Murder was committed, but the Woman was buried before we got there. The Indian Wife of John Owen, and another Indian Woman, have left Fort Shirley, and it is imagined are gone to the Ohio with one M'Lure, a Soldier, who has deserted."

A Letter from Antigua, dated the 6th Instant, says, "On Sunday the Blandford Man of War brought in a large Bourdeaux Man."

And from Barbados there is Advice that Capt. Falkingham, in one of our Ships of War, has taken a Snow from the same Place, bound to Martineco.

Arrived at Antigua from this Port, The Captains Allison and Rolland.

Illustration 3: John Owens leaves area with Indian wife



an Ohio trader in 1750."¹⁷

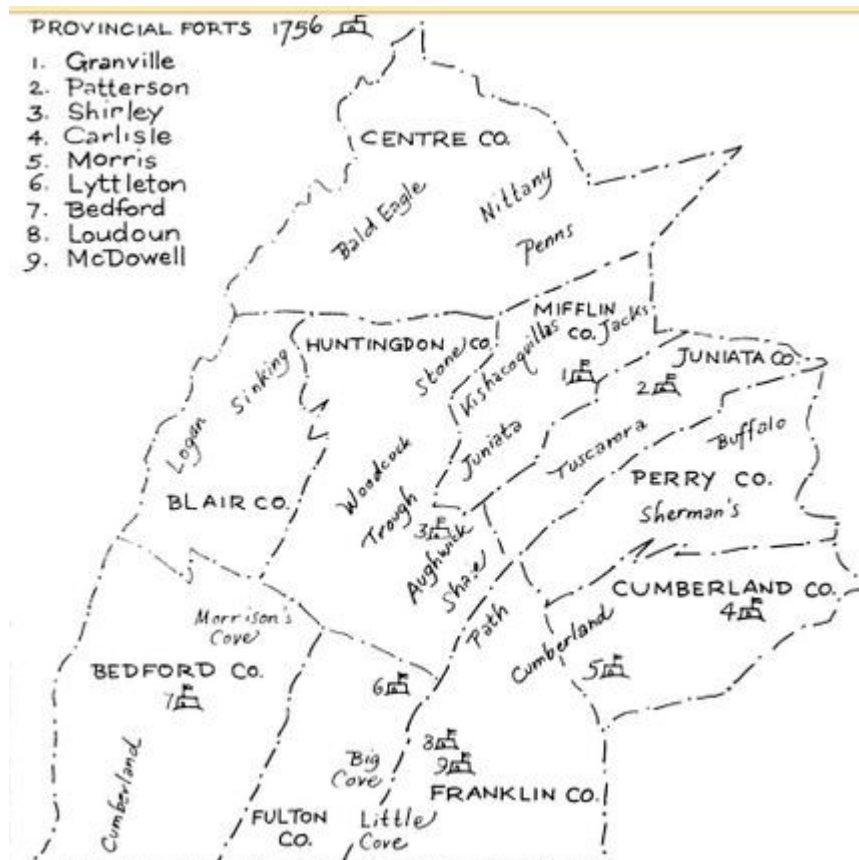
Thomas Mitchel and Thomas Mitchel, Jr., were on the river in 1753, both subsequently killed by Indians in Ohio; John Owens, one of Croghan's traders at Aughwick in 1754, and said to have been one of Bouquet's guides in 1758; David Owens, son of John, also a guide for Bouquet in 1758, and his interpreter in 1764. David Owens is alleged to have killed his Indian wife and their children and carried their scalps

¹⁷Gist's Journals; Darlington, p. 271.

¹⁸"History of Kentucky;" Collins, Vol. II, p. 495. "The Wilderness Trail;" Hanna, Vol. II, Chap. VII.

¹⁹"The Olden Time;" Craig, Vol. II, p. 184.

Illustration 4: John Owens was an Interpreter on Aughwick where he later owned land



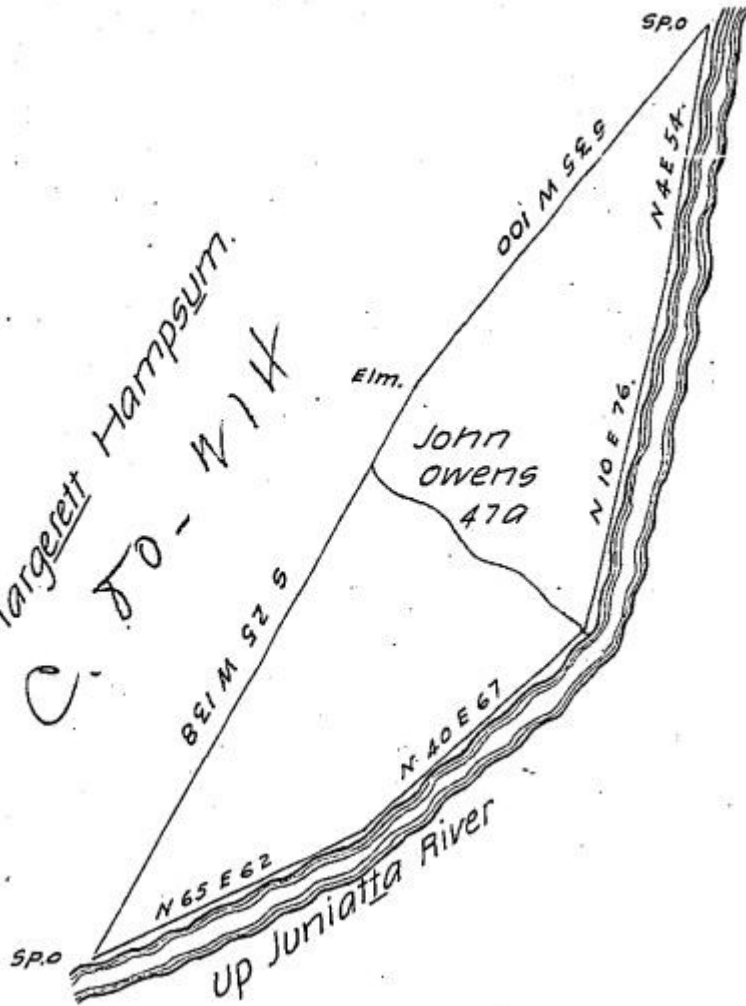
present day. These figures

In 1757 Samuel went to Winchester, Virginia, for supplies and was held at Fort Pleasant on the South Branch of the Potomac, accused of being a spy for the Indians. He was released only with a squad of soldiers to accompany him and investigate his claim of having established a purely religious colony. Arriving at the Cheat River settlement, they found the buildings burned and the bodies of twenty-seven of the thirty inhabitants. The three missing settlers were Samuel's brothers, Gabriel and Isaiah, and an indentured servant named Baltzer Shilling. The treasure was never found, but Shilling was found near present-day Hundred, West Virginia, in 1759 by Indian trader John Owens and taken to his house along the Monongahela at Ten Mile Creek. Samuel Eckerlin found him there a few months later. Shilling told him that about fifty Delaware Indians led by a French priest had attacked the Cheat River

9	"	"	"	100.	"	10	"	"	101. 126			255 146
10	Owens,	John	"	200.	San Joaquin River St. Lucia R.	20	Sept.	2	March 1784	237. 80	Thomas Smith	P 2 376 CMB 153
11	"	"	"	100.	On S.S. St. Lucia R	20	"	23	(in July) Sept. 1834	47.	William F. Hampson	H 33 249 C 94 213
12	Ormsby,	John	"	300.	San Joaquin Gr. St. Lucia R.	27	May 1763	24	Novr 1763	1138.	George Croghan	AA 7 418 B 14 236
13	"	"	"	200.	On S.S. Running Cr.	27	"	24	"			
14	Ourry,	Lewis	"	200.	On Clark's River	27	"	"	"			
15	Orbison,	Thomas	Recapt	91. 5	Peters Twp.	31	"	31	May 1763	91. 5	Thomas Orbison	AA 10 153 CMB 297
16	Owens,	John Jr.	Survey	150.	On S.S. Hughwin Cr.	7	June	11	Feb'y 1788	188. 80	Peter Wikoff	P 13. 10 A 7 209

Margaret Hampson.

C. 80 - W 14



same 47 acres were part of Charles Cessna's precious patent:

Caveat Book No. 3. Aug. 2, 1766.

John Cisney at the request and on the behalf of his son Charles Cissney enters a caveat against accepting a survey made by John Owens on Forty Seven Acres of land on Juniata River.

Power of attorney granted by John Owens
January 11, 1769

Carlisle January 11th.

1769

Dear Sir: By the Bearer Jon Hastings who I send Express you will Recieve the ~~following~~ [sic] Powers of Attorney agreeable to the List below all which I have got proven except John Gibson's which you must get John Nagle Butcher [?] to prove George Gibson²⁵ tells me [torn] Him who is the evidence to it I think G. Gibson [sic] & he likewise executed says it was done in Phila^a However as to that I am not quite certain [sic] I have sent off two Expresses

²⁵George Gibson is known in frontier history of his efforts during the Revolutionary War in getting supplies for Fort Pitt.

one to Bedford the Other to Juniata with Powers of Attorney to get Proven / I have got Letters from Simons & Levy and Jn--Fraser--^{instead is to his} ~~I wrote you by M Orms-~~ ^{letter} by under cover to Colonel Croghan--To Morrow & next Day I hope I shall be able to get the Deed ~~completd~~ Executed and by the Return of the Expresses I hope everything will be compleated here--I found great difficulty in getting proper persons for Expresses W Blyth²⁶ will be down to see Mr. Croghan when he comes Up I find I shall be a ~~very~~ ^{much} greater sufferer by Removing ~~& such~~ ~~rather~~ than I at first I imagined / I have my Plantation to Lease / the Person who lived on it having treated me very ill in my absence and quitted it--Part of my Goods I must leave in my House which I think very probable will be burnt before ~~I~~ ~~can~~ ~~back~~ I Return

The whole Day I have been hunting for an Express and at best have been Obliged to get Hastings I have made an Agreement with him as He rides for you constantly You will please to pay Him I pay for the Horse Myself /sic ----

Powers of Attorney proved

Simons & Levey	
Joseph Simons	Paul Pierce
Thomas Kinton	John Gibson
John Frasers	
John Ormsby	
Hugh Crawford	
<u>/blot</u>	

Pennsylvania Cumberland County Ss

Be it remembred /sic That this the Twenty Seventh Day of January in the year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred & sixth Nine the within named John Owens the party to the within Letter of Attorney Came before me the subscriber One of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid who being duly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of

²⁶William Blyth, an Indian trader of Shippensburg.

by their Attornies	}	September in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hun-
Peter & John Shaver	}	dred and Thirteen. Between Jacob Shaver and Elizabeth
to	}	his wife, of Westmoreland County and State of Pennsylvania
Philip Rippel	}	and Leonard Shaver and Rachel his wife of Mercer County
	}	& State aforesaid by Peter Shaver & John Shaver of the Township

of Shirley County of Huntingdon & Commonwealth aforesaid, their Attornies duly constituted, of the one part. And Philip Ripple of Shirley Township in the County

constituted, of the one part. And Philip Ripple of Shirley Township in the County of Huntingdon and Commonwealth aforesaid, Farmer, of the other part - whereas in pursuance of an order issued out of the land office of Pennsylvania Number bearing date the twelfth day of March, in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty nine, granted to John Owens Senior, there was surveyed a certain Tract or parcel of land, situate on both sides Aughwich Creek in the County of Cumberland now in Shirley Township Huntingdon County aforesaid, Beginning at at a Hickery thence North eighty three degrees West Sixty four and a half perches to a whiteoak at the Creek, thence down said Aughwich Creek by the several courses thereof three hundred and six - perches to a Post thence North forty four degrees East ten perches to a Hickery thence South sixty five degrees East across said - ninety four perches to a whiteoak thence South thirty three degrees West one hundred and forty eight perches to a Black Oak thence South twenty eight degrees West eighty seven perches to the Hickory at the place of Beginning containing one hundred and fifty two acres and sixty perches and the usual allowance of six per Cent for roads &c. And Whereas the aforesaid John Owens Senior, by Deed Poll under his hand & seal duly executed bearing date the fifth day of April in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty nine for the consideration therein mentioned did grant and convey the aforesaid recited order or Location and the land surveyed or to be

John Owens of Fort Pitt to Abr. Teegarden of Fred. Co., Md. land on Mon. R. Enoch's Run, and Muddy Cr. Oct. 12, 1772.

As mentioned in a previous article published by The Republican, John Owens, the Indian Trader, at Fort Pitt, and a militiaman under Boquet, was definitely connected with the Tenmile Country, for on December 12, 1757, he sold a tract of land "Situated on the Monongahela, between Enoch's Run (afterward John Swan's Run or Pumpkin Run) and near the mouth of Muddy Creek," to Abraham Teagarden of Frederick County, Maryland, with William Teagarden and John Owens, Jr., witnessing the deed. (See Washington County Deed Book—1-A—214.) At least two and possibly three sons of John Owens settled close to the site of Fort Jackson and are mentioned in early land transactions.

Illustration 1: Somewhat of a dispute about the date of the Muddy Creek Deed

Losses of the Indian Traders

January 16, 1773

Jan. 16, 1773

List of Losses sustained by the Indian Traders....

James Lowreys Accot.....		
John Boyle.....		
James Rankin...		
James Simmerson...		
John Galbreath.....		1581..
Thomas Mitchel Senr.....		1440..
Thomas Mitchel Reed Mitchel & Thomas		
Mitchel Junr.....		1010..16..?
Francis Campbell.....		721.. 0..0
James Lowrey.....		3707.. 0..9
Daniel & Alexander Lowrey.....		1877..15..?
John Fraser and James Young.....		1025..10..?
Robert Callender & Michel Teaff.....		3419.. 3..6
James Duning.....		1204..15..9
Paul Pearce.....		2087..12..0
John Owens.....		1040.. 6..9
Morris Turner.....	accot. No. 1 begins with James Lowrey & ends with Morris Turner	420.. 0..0
Arthur Auchmutz.....		203.. 9..9
Hugh Crawford.....		1312..10..0
Samuel Chambers.....		270.. 0..0
James Silver.....		350.. 0..0
Thomas McKee.....		700.. 0..0

Petition of "Suffering Traders of 1754"¹
[c.1763]

TO THE KINGS MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

THE MEMORIAL of George Croghan, William Trent, Thomas McKee, Alexander Lowrey, James Rankin, James Simmerson, Callender and Teaff, John Fraser, Paul Pearce, John Owens, Maurice Turner, James Silver, Thomas Kinten, Francis Campbell, James Duning, and Others Indian Traders by William Trent their Attorney

MOST HUMBLY SHEWETH

That your Memorialists for many years carried on a great Traffick with the numerous Tribes of Indians inhabiting on the River Ohio and the Creeks and Rivers communicating with the same by exchanging British Manufacturies [sic] for Peltrys and Furs which were sent to Great Britain.²

That the French King's Forces and the Indians in Alliance with Them in the Time of a profound Peace in Europe between England and France most barbarous-

ly and unexpectedly attacked your Memorialists or their Agents and robbed them of all their Goods Merchandise and Peltrys, ---murdered several of their Agents and sent some of your Memorialists Prisoners to Canada and from thence to France where- by your Memorialists were dispoiled of all their Property and they and their Familys reduced to the Greatest Distress.

That your Memorialists presented their Petition to your Majesty to have a Satisfaction made them for their Losses out of the Money arising from the Sale of the French Prizes taken before the Declaration of the last War from which Fund your Memorialists hoped they should have received their Compensation and the rather as they were informed that Reprisals were then ordered to be made on the French on Account of the Injuries and Losses your Memorialists had sustained from them and the Indians in Alliance with Them; But such Monies having been since given by your Majesties royal Grandfather to and applied for the Use of the Publick- Your Memorialists are under a Necessity of petitioning your Majesty that some other Recompence may be made them on Account of such their Losses &

Yr Memorialists as in Duty bound shall
ever pray.

Account of the losses of John Owens³⁵
 April 26, 1756

An Account of the Goods taken by the French and
 Indians and Debts which was due by the Indians at
 the Time the French drove the English of the Ohio
 River and the Waters thereof Belonging to John Owens

	B	D	s	d
The Pirates Son Jack....	16..1	at 7/6.....	16..	3..9
His Brother.....	18..1		6..	18..9
The Beavers Son.....	10..0		3..	15..0
Dellaway George Brother. 1..1			0..	11..3
Shingass.....	12..0		4..	10..0
The Corn Stalk.....	1..1		0..	11..3
His Sister & mother.....	9..0		3..	7..6

³⁵John Owens, a resident of Fort Pitt, is perhaps best

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English John.....	1..1.....	0..11..3
White Eyes.....	34..1.....	12..18..9
Thane Coqueson.....	3..0.....	1.. 2..6
Issatacomma.....	48..0.....	18.. 0..0
Little Tossemotha.....	5..1.....	2.. 1..3
Kethecomma.....	4..1.....	1..13..9
Makinco.....	5..0.....	1..17..6
Lowasummo.....	3..0.....	1.. 2..6
The Burnt Man.....	24..0.....	9.. 0..0
The Conesbogoe Man.....	26..0.....	9..15..0
Indian Daniel.....	15..0.....	5..12..6
Blue Jacket.....	22..1.....	8.. 8..9
Ben Dickerson.....	89..0.....	33.. 7..6
Half King & Son.....	19..0.....	9.. 2..6
Dellaway Tom.....	16..0.....	6.. 0..0
Welthummo.....	15..1.....	5..16..3
Colasqua.....	14..0.....	5.. 5..0
Cuttaway fellow.....	3..0.....	1.. 2..6
Nolamosee.....	<u>3..0</u>	1.. 2..6
	<u>421..0</u>	<u>160..17..0</u>

Bucks

Brought Over.....	421..0.....	160..17..0
The Scalp.....	4..1.....	1..13..9
The Piper.....	5..0.....	1..17..6
Wandohon.....	2..1.....	0..18..9
The Scalp Brother.....	16..1.....	6.. 3..9
Conholly.....	16..0.....	6.. 0..0
Merry Pintte.....	27..1.....	10.. 2..6
Niathoppy.....	23..1.....	8..12..6
Crab Claw.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
Suckie.....	12..0.....	4..10..0
The Crows.....	19..0.....	7.. 2..6
Torperqua.....	50..0.....	18..15..0
Sore Neck.....	11..0.....	4.. 2..6
Burnt mans Friend.....	18..0.....	6..15..0
The Two Twins.....	5..1.....	2.. 1..3
The Crows Brother.....	9..0.....	3.. 7..6

Muncuttutha's Cousin....	4..0.....	1..10..0
Dellaway George.....	5..1.....	2.. 1..3
The hard fellow.....	1..1.....	0..11..3

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Nanceys Brother.....	3..1.....	1.. 6..3
Taponaw.....	3..1.....	1.. 6..3
The Old Town.....	15..1.....	5..16..3
The <u>/?</u> Thos Lee, hat....	1..1.....	0..11..3
Skipper.....	15..0.....	5..12..6
The Dead Knocker.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
Coker Nose.....	24..0.....	9.. 0..0
Squint Eyes.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
Chehequla.....	9..1.....	3..11..3
Lammoleck.....	1..1.....	0..11..3

725..0

£275..19..6

Bucks

Brought over.....	725..0.....	£275..19..6
The Mogavan.....	23..0.....	18..12..6
Conhalay.....	3..1.....	1.. 6..3
Toyways brother.....	1..1.....	0..11..3
The Cannay fellow.....	11..0.....	4.. 2..6
Nancys brother John.....	55..1.....	20..12..6
The hott fellow.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
His Son.....	6..1.....	2.. 8..9
Dellaware John.....	55..1.....	20..12..6
Franks Son.....	3..1.....	1.. 6..3
Mannowallicoe.....	18..0.....	6..15..0
John King.....	14..0.....	5.. 5..0
Nyathoppie.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
The Old Woman & Son.....	4..0.....	1..10..0
The Marked Mingoe.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
The fruit <u>/?</u> Brother....	44..0.....	16..10..0
Cock & Pincha Son.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
The Skippers Son.....	4..0.....	1..10..0
The boy at Cock & Pinch's	5..1.....	2.. 1..3
Blue Jackets Cousin.....	4..0.....	1..10..0
The Earl of hells brother	15..0.....	5..12..6
Blue Shadow.....	33..0.....	12.. 7..6
Runs Son.....	15..0.....	5..12..6
Cutnose.....	8..0.....	3.. 0..0
Frank Son.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
The Steel.....	10..0.....	3..15..0
Danwags Son.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6

Penneys Son.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
Dutch Johns Brother.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
Old Belt.....	4..1.....	1..13..9

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The Burnt m <u>[?]</u>	16..1.....	6.. 3..9
	1090..1	412..13..3
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Brought over.....	1090..1.....	412..13..3
The <u>[?]</u> brother.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
Cock & Pincha Sister.....	1..1.....	0.. 7..6
Israel.....	3..1.....	1.. 6..3
The Song.....	8..0.....	3.. 0..0
Weekonochsens.....	2..1.....	0..18..9
Samsons brother.....	1..1.....	0..11..3
Connay Man.....	7..0.....	2..12..6
Tapehommo.....	81..1.....	30..11..3
Horse Jockey.....	23..0.....	8..12..6
Cuskin Kay.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
Earl of Hell.....	8..1.....	3.. 3..9
Nolehappy.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
Sampson.....	33..0.....	12.. 7..6
Indian Davis.....	12..1.....	4..13..9
The bears daughter.....	5..1.....	2.. 1..3
Alegirthea.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
French Andrews brother...	5..1.....	2.. 1..3
Tugg Nose.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
The Mark'd Conswaga.....	11..0.....	4.. 2..6
The hard Man.....	5..0.....	1..17..6
The Lymping fellow.....	1..0.....	7..17..6
<u>[blurred]</u>	10..1.....	3..18..9
The Son in law.....	7..0.....	2..12..6
Thuiolockhock <u>[?]</u>	8..0.....	3.. 0..0
The Steel.....	11..0.....	4.. 2..6
Conolly.....	3..1.....	1.. 6..3
Welthummo.....	18..0.....	6..15..0
Tom the Dellaway.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
Pophokqua.....	2..1.....	0..18..9
Takays brother.....	1..1.....	0..11..3
	Bucks1392..0.....	525.. 9..6
	Bucks	
Brought Over.....	1392..0.....	525.. 9..6
Tasstacoma		

.....	23..0.....	8..12..6
Snakes Son.....	3..0.....	1.. 2..6
Cowethar.....	17..0.....	6.. 7..6

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Hotts Arse.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
Kethecomma.....	18..0.....	6..15..0
Manowallicoe.....	13..0.....	4..17..6
Hotts Turds Son.....	6..1.....	2.. 8..9
The Crow.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
Crack Gallows.....	4..1.....	1..13..9
Square Eyes.....	3..1.....	1.. 6..3
Captt. Makehouse.....	2..1.....	0..18..9
Chickqular.....	0..1.....	0.. 3..9
The Old woman.....	2..1.....	0..18..9
His Son in Law.....	11..1.....	3.. 6..3
Lowagamia.....	13..1.....	5.. 1..3
Skipup.....	3..1.....	1.. 6..3
Dog & Bitch.....	4..0.....	1..10..0

Kassequa
 Conestoga La
 Black Jacket
 His Son
 The Devils
 Skippapiers
 The Racers Son
 Cock & pin
 Burnt m
 B

Manuscript
 torn off

B

Brought Over.....	1615..0.....	1610..14..6
The Curst mingoe.....	5..1.....	2.. 1..3
Franks Son.....	15..0.....	5..12..6
Steel Son.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
Pemmisqua Son.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
Johns friend.....	16..0.....	6.. 0..0
The old Town.....	19..0.....	7.. 2..6
Thaneloqueston.....	1..0.....	0.. 7..6
The Connelis.....	9..0.....	3.. 7..6
Smiths Father.....	8..0.....	3.. 0..0
Rumleco [?] Cox Son.....	3..1.....	1.. 6..3
Pelathy.....	22..0.....	8.. 5..0
Old Frank.....	16..0.....	6.. 0..0

THE BURNED MAN.....	5..0.....	1..17..6
Tossamotha.....	22..0.....	8.. 5..0
Bigg Trick.....	23..0.....	8..12..6

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Dead Nocker.....	15..0.....	5..12..6
The Holter ?		2.. 5..0
Man		1..17..6
		5..12..6
		5..12..6
		7..10..0
		12.. 3..9
		7..6
		4..17..6
		0..15..0
		5.. 5..0
		2.. 1..3
		<u>727.. 6..9</u>
	Buck	acc. 43
Brought Over.....	1924..0.....	<u>727.. 6..9</u>
Fruits Husband.....	22..0.....	8.. 5..0
Johoqus.....	2..0.....	..15..0
The Cuttaway.....	2..1.....	..18..9
Dodley.....	22..1.....	8.. 8..9
Black Legs.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
Tuskrora John.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
Tim Hurley.....	4..1.....	1..13..9
The Goose's wife.....	1..1.....	0..11..3
The Hatchet.....	7..1.....	2..16..3
Crissapiak.....	3..0.....	1.. 2..6
Scutakhogor.....	1..1.....	0..11..3
Shawney Ben.....	5..0.....	1..17..6
The Hawk.....	10..0.....	3..15..0
The Limper.....	2..0.....	0..15..0
	<u>Bucks 2012..0</u>	<u>£760.. 6..9</u>

Turn Over

Smith Tools & Horses Taken by the French And Indians,
 which I was Obliged to Leave Behind when they Came
 Down & Took Possession of the Ohio River

To 5 horses taken at Monongela.....	£25.. 0..0
To 1 Sorrel Mare & 3 Colts at Do.....	20.. 0..0
To 1 Roan Mare at Ditto.....	15.. 0..0
To 1 Pease Mare at Do.....	

To 1 Pacing Mare at Do.....	20..	0..0
To 2 Pacing Stallions at Do.....	36..	0..0

The Indian Traders who covered this section have been typed, and all agree that they were a profligate lot. Usually raised on the frontier, they had picked up an Indian dialect or two, with smatterings of others, sufficient to carry on trade. Their stock of goods consisted in the main of rum, guns, powder and lead; knives, axes, awls, strouds, linen and other cloth; ribbons and stockings, which they carried on pack horses—and in this part of the country—exchanged for deer skins. The profits included a fair margin on the cost, plus a percentage for packing the goods over the mountains, usually from Philadelphia or Baltimore. Each trader seems to have had his own favorite stopping places and routes of travel. Frequently the stopping place was nothing more than a large fallen tree that gave some promise of shelter from the weather, or a sylvan spring that supplied water for his pack animals. These stopping places were respected by other traders, and names were given to them, associating the places with the trader. Rum was used freely to strike an advantageous bargain or violate a comely Indian Maiden, when peaceful persuasion failed. There were very few of these traders who did not have one or more Indian Women, whom they sometimes gave the status of wife, especially if she were a daughter of a Chief or influential tribesman. Indian morals were such that there seems to have been no resentment of this condition, and history records few instances of violence caused by it. Foreign travelers of that time, have reported that they frequently met unaccompanied Indian Women on the trails, with whom they camped at night, sharing the same blankets, for the sake of warmth, and other conveniences, and often traveled with them for

John Owens

In 1747 and 1748 John Owens was listed as an unlicensed trader from Chester County. On 28 May 1751 he was reported to be an Indian trader operating in the Ohio territory in or near Logstown. In 1754 he was a guide to George Croghan at Aughwick. In 1758 he was a guide and interpreter in the army of General Forbes, moving on Ft. Duquesne. (Bausman, History of Beaver County II, 978; 5 Col Rec 532 & 536; 6 Col Rec 160; 1 Pa Arch 2 at 14).

John was a brother and sometimes partner of David Owens. The latter is infamous for having killed and scalped his Indian wife, his brothers-in-law and even his own small children to sell their scalps after Pennsylvania enacted the infamous bounty on Indian scalps. Both brothers were notorious for having deserted from William Johnson's militia in New York, and for having cheated the Indians, sold them whiskey in contravention of the law, and debauched the

women after the men were intoxicated with overpriced, watered down rum. (see Francis Parkman, Conspiracy of Pontiac, II, 2147; Loudon, Indian Wars, II, 177)

Most frontier traders were gun smiths at least to the extent that they could repair the cheap trade guns they sold at highly inflated prices to the Indians. That John Owens was a trader, and perhaps somewhat more skilled and better equipped than most traders is shown by the losses of equipment in the French and Indian Wars. Owens reported that he had smith tools and iron and steel "which I was obliged to leave behind when they (French) came down and took possession of the Ohio River." Owens valued his tools and iron and steel lost at 30 British pounds. His total losses, mostly in horses, came to 1040 pounds, 6 shillings and 9 pence. (see S.K. Bailey (ed.) The Ohio Company Papers, pp. 150-51) □

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